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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1891.

CHARBONNAGES.

Ir-is-now-over-two-and-a-haif-years since the Editor of this journal formed one of a party of Hongkong, residents who paid a visit of inspection to the coal-mines of the Socilis Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin on the island of Hongay, about forty miles from Halphong. At that time work was was shot by the Duke of Connaught in the leftin the preparatory stage, and with the eye, which has since been removed. exception of the necessary prospecting and the erection of a useful wharf and quarters for the staff, nothing in the shape of actual mining had been started. A few short galleries had been driven into the hillside, and these openings had been designated "mines" in honour of the leading members of our expedition; but in reality no mining had been even at empted. A few the top of the ground by the Tonquinese coolies, were plied up alongside the wharf,

and so far as appearance went, it looked quite up to the best Cardiff. But it wanted 'go"; exposed for thousands of years to a burning sun and to tropical downpours of rain-and the sun can blaze and the rain come down in fair Tonquin-it had lost whatever volatile matter it ever possessed, and although apparently as hard and solid-looking as a granite block, it went to dust by a mere compression the fingers. . This stuff was tried, and or the steam launch Fanny, with its specially arrangedfire-bars, it answered wonderfully well; but on the steamship Carisbrooke it proved an utter flasco, quite falling to keep anything like sufficient steam in the vessel's bollers. These results were only what men, and the present writer was in various in his latest sphere of action. quarters laughed at and ridiculed both for predicting what did happen then and what the Hongay mines were fairly tried. Our opinions freely expressed then are in print, and who dare laugh now? never doubted the value of this immense coal-field when the miners got below the surface, away from the influences of sun and rain, and from the latest trial it would seem that our opinions have been thoroughly verified, and that a very great future for Tonquin coal in this colony has

now become a matter of certainty. Wx have been favored from a thoroughly reliable source with the following report of the latest practical test of the Hongay

coal for steaming purposes :--"On Christmas Day a trial of this coal was made with most satisfactory results in the presence of a large party of shareholders and others party included Messrs. F. de Bovis, chief man-Rutter, manager, New Oriental Bank, J. J. Bell-Maritimes), E. Cochelet (Inspector, M. M.), E. present. Carnot (deputy inspector), Captain H. Hoge (steamship Taisang), Richardson (chief engineer steamship Ginfru(n), Wilson (chief engineer past has been used as a coaster in the China coal, a slight alteration had been made in her the bars a total length of 5' o."

"The Avochis left Hongkong harbour at noon, and steaming before a light wind, rapidly Attained a pressure of 90 lbs. while making 7x revolutions per minute. So strong did the pressure become that it was found necessary to put on the dampers, yet in spite of this she was obliged to blow off frequently.

"On turning round, with a head wind, the constant blowing off clearly showed that more steam was being produced than was necessary Farmers by the Captain of the vessel, for fear to drive the engines.

"During the trip, which lasted six hours, frequent visits were paid by the members of the party to the engine-room and the stoke-hole. It was remarked that the coal kindles very quickly, and burns freely, raising steam with great rapidity; it makes a very clean, bright fire, without any smoke, and opens well on the bars without caking. It is handled in a manner precisely similar to Cardiff, and as it practically does its own stoking, saves much trouble

On the above, report it is at present unnecessary to critically comment; nor is it our province to deal at length with what has been generally regarded as unconscionable delay in placing the Hongay coals on the market. M. BAVIER-Chappour, the manager at Hongay, has had no easy task before him, and we cannot but think that he has exercised s wise discretion in refusing to commence shipping coals from the mines until he was in a position to make the supply was producing a satisfactory and saleable article. The cargo of two thousand tons has been, we understand, almost entirely got rid of, the lump at 88 and 87.50 and be presented to Sir William Robinson. the dust at 85-prices which must leave a heavy margin of profit; and arrangements, ntervals, which will be largely increased as the work progresses. It appears to us unqualified success, and is bound to prove at an early date a most important factor in the commercial prosperity of this colony.

# TELEGRAMS.

RUSSIA'S POLICY AS REGARDS COREA. LONDON, December 23rd. It is semi-officially stated that Russia has no idea of the conquest of Cores, but will not

telerate similar designs by other Powers. CONNAUGHT SHOOTS STRAIGHT.

December 26th. Prince Christian, when shooting at Osborne,

[There's no nonsense about Connaught. We know him well, Horatio, and in our opinion be is just the sort of shootist we want for a model Major-General. But Christian, who had £25 a year before he married Princess Alice, appears to have had a lucky escape. He will now be compelled to wink the other

OBITUARY.

Sir Wm. A. White, Ambassador at Constan-

eye.!-ED.]

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL

To-Morrow, being New Year's Day, there will be no issue of the Hongkong Telegraph. "A GUID NEW YEAR TO ANE AND A'S

THANKS, Dakin Brothers, the same to yourselves and many of 'em.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carlill & Co.) inform us that the R.M.S. Empress of India arrived at Vancouver on the 30th inst.

THE British India steamship Jumna arrived at Thursday Island on November 17 with the first batch of Italian immigrants, who have been experimentally imported into Queensland for the sugar industry.

MR James Anderson, the new manager of the Amoy Dock Company, leaves for his postiby were reasonably to be expected by practical wish him bon voyage and every possible success

SAMBO--"What did the dectah say alled ye mostly, Bill?" "He lowed dat I had a conwould be case when the real products of figration ob diseases. Fust, de salvation gian' don't insist my indigestion; dat makes a torpedo liver, sose I'm liable to go off any minute."

> HALF-PRICE at to o'clock is the Hongkong A. D. C's latest attraction to bring an audience south-west to recuperate. He was in jail at to see the gorgeous pantomime. Times have certainly changed in Hongkong in the amateur theatrical line; and we don't think for the better.

IT is proposed to give a Masonic Ball during the course of next month, and arrangements in that direction are already under way. We believe the Victoria Lodge has taken the initiative in this movement, which it is confidently expected will be brought to a successful issue.

Manager-Captain, your wine bill is very

Coast Captain-Yes, Sir. Had a theatrical company and two missionary inspectors down. Manager-Beg pardon, Captain. You can send a bill in for extras!

who had been invited to witness the test by the | \* A public meeting of Mr. R. Fraser-Smith's Hon, C. P. Chater and Mr. H. N. Mody. The friends, sympathisers and supporters will be held on the Public Recreation Ground, better ager, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, E. W. known as the Cricket Ground, on Sunday afternoon, the 3rd proximo, at 3.30 p.m. An express Irving, D. Gillies (Secretary, Dock Company), H. issued this afternoon, contains an invitation to | Dona Bartola ....tchooner .. Hoppius, J. S. Moses, A. G. Morris, R. M. | "all residents of whatever nationality, who are Moses, G. de Champeaux (Agent, Messageries | interesed in the Telegraph libel case" to be

THE delivery of the French mail-signalled long before tiffin time-took place at 7 o'clock, steamship Talsang) R. B. Joyce (secretary of course much too late for any news from home Charbonnages Co.), and others. The steamer to be utilised in this issue. Why it should chosen for the trial was the Avochie, owned by take from five to six hours to sort a mail i Mr. A. G. Morris, a vessel which for some time Hongkong is one of these problems that wan investigating by independent and practical men. Seas. To adapt her for burning the Hongay Like most other departments in the Hongkong Government Service, the Post Office requires furnaces, by putting back the bridge z' 9," giving | thorough overhauling and a very free application of the pruning knife.

FOUR cases of opium dross from Hongkong. shipped per steamer Chelydra to the Opium Farmers in Penang, have been seleed by the Singapore Farmers. The bill of lading, as well as the manifest, we understand, show that the cases were for Penang, so that the action of the latter under the circumstances would appear to dampers were kept down all the time, and the be unjustifiable. It is said that the fact of the cases being on board was communicated to the of getting into trouble himself.

> Ox one occasion, when the late Rev. Charles Page Eden was Dean of Oriel College, heavy complaints against the College cook were brought to him by the undergraduates. The Dean sent for the offender, recapitulated his several delinquencies, and threatened him with dismissal, La I Mr. Eden." rejoined the cook in a confidential tone, "it's no manner of use attending to what the young men tell you about my dinners. Why, you know, Mr. Eden, they come just in the same way to me and complain about your lectures In

AT a curling match one of the players was a cheeky, young, city-bred man. The match was begun in due time, and, largely owing to the incapacity of the boaster, was lost by his side. He had made such a poor show that he was rather quietened for a little, but after the beef and greens had been consumed, and the bottle had begun to circulate, he began again. The old fellow who had skipped the rink had stood it till he could stand it no longer. "Hand yer tongue, mani" he exclaimed, "ye'll ne'er be a guid curler in this worl' an' I'm thinkin' ye'll na see ice in the next."

permanent, and until fully assured that he Wx learn from Chinese sources that a petition to His Excellency the Governor, praying him to take steps to stop the wholesale search, carried on in the public streets and on the steamer brought up the other day by the Avochie whaves, of Chinese residents and passengers by the river steamers, by the Oplum Farmer's officers, is now being circulated and will shortly Chinese fellow-citizens may be following discreet policy in bringing this matter publicly before the Head of the Government, but really have been made for shipments at regular there is no absolute occasion for any such petition, as the law is perfectly clear that no person can be legally searched either on the whatves or in the street. Of course it is the that the Hongay coal has proved an duty of the Government to do everything possible to protect the Opium Farmer's revenue, and searching sheds ought to have been established long ago; however, it cannot be too clearly understood that searching people suspected of being in possession of smuggled opium in the streets is a contravention of the law which renders the searchers liable to heavy punishthe subject it cannot be longer tolerated in this

WE are heartily sorry for Major General Digby Barker over his new Oplum Ordinance policy. The house of cards so carefully constructed by the Official Phalanz, and forced through the Council in spite of the opposition of the Unofficial Members, who knew what they were talking about, has ignominiously collapsed. The tenders received for the purchase of the Oplum Farm "not being considered satisfactory." the time-has-been-extended-until-January-10th. The extra lakh of dollars, so confidently figured out by the sapient Colonial Treasurer, is settled away in the far beyond, and Mitchell-Innes is to pose as a practical statesman. The rent for the new Opium Farm, instead of showing the If such should prove to be the case, and we have Innes will be discreet to transfer his peculiar abilities to another sphere-some hitherto undiscovered continent where logic is yet a hundred tons of surface co al, dug out from [Sir John Walsham is still alive and kicking at myth and commonsense an unknown quantity. Vocux, returned from leave in May, and Peking. He would make a fine ornament at the tax-paying community are already "full-up" had to go away again in June, completely talent bear the brunt. The Begle Man has the support of this extraordinary travesty on an English broken in bealth. During his brief stay, he somebow wrigeled (as the day) into place of charcoal pencils having sun out, and was

THE steamship Edendale was docked for cleaning and repairs at the Kowloon Dock to-day. The Presto is at the Cosmopolitan Dock.

WE are informed by the Agents (Messrs, D Sassoon, Sons & Co.) that the steamer Arra Ivon Apcar, from Calcutta, lest Singapore yesterday for this port.

THE Post Office will be open to-morrow (New Year's Day) from 8 to 9 a.m. and from 2 to 3 p.m. for the Shanghai mail. The night-box will be kept open.

IT is always a pleasure to chronicle an improvement in journalistic prospects. The Penang Gazette is to be considerably enlarged from to-morrow, and we wish it every success.

Mrs. S.-Can't you raise a subscription fo new chapel? Rev. S .-- No. I've worked that before. Mrs. S.—Dear, dear! I suppose we mus walt till we have another baby!

Rev. Mr. Swatow-We're \$100 in debt.

WE have been asked to state that the headquarters of the British Mercantile Marine Officers' Association have to-day been shifted from College Chambers to 18, Praya Central; very suitable place for a rendez-vous for scalaring men-"Tosh's" very "common sailors."

ONE way of putting it:-The wayward young man, broken in health, had gone to the far Tombstone, Ariz., for stealing a bindquarter of beef. In the loneliness of his cell, he sat down and wrote as follows: "Dear Father.-I have picked up some flesh since I came out here, but I am still confined to my room. Please send me \$100," etc., etc.-.

### **TO-DAY'S** SHIPPING RETURNS.

Inward. Ajar....steamer, from Shanghal. Singapore. Tailes ..... Singapore. Canton

Aggregating 7,536 tons, register. Dora Forster ..... steamer, for Kutchinotzu. Gaelic ..... Yokohama, &c. Fooksang ..... Swatow. Hamburg. Lydia ...... Ardeay ...... Singapore

Socioo Island Aggregating 10,047 tons, register. The weather in the China Sea has been particularly bad during the last ten days. All vessels arriving from the South have made long and rough passages. The Torrington had to put into Salgon through stress of weather, the Bormida broke down, the Somdeich Phra Nang and the Hangchow are overdue from Java. The Benvenue arrived yesterday, and Capt. Thompson reports the roughest weather,

he has ever known. Almost all the way from Singapore he had a terrible time of it, and was very glad to dump the mudhook in our beautiful harbour. His log record is as follows :- Dec. 21, Lat. 4.26 N. 106'2 E. moderate breeze from N.E. and showery with heavy swell. 22 and 23, Lat. 7.11 N. Long. 107.50 E. moderate gale and high sea. - 24, 25 and 26, Lat. 0.54 N. Long. 110.35 E. Fierce gale and very high confused sea with heavy squalis. 27, fresh monsoon and sea going down a little with heavy showers of rain. Lat. 14.6 N. Long. 110.33 E. 28, moderate breeze and evercast

Wind throughout from N. by E. to N.E. by N.

"AN OLD SPORTMAN" is not dead, although many thanksgivings and burnt-offerings would be indulged in by the shoddy sporting element of the Tockey Club-Hercules John, where are you now?-if the ancient one were actually defunct. The reason why no "Sporting Gossip has appeared in the Telegraph is that, up date, there has been nothing done at the Racecourse, on which readable gossip or anythin else could be based. It looks very much as racing in Hongkong for the present had received its quietus, and if it were not for the Subscription Griffin contests-which, by the way, were devised and supported against the determined opposition of the Stewards by "An Old Sportsman -the forthcoming meeting would resolve itse into a case of "Tommy Dodd" between John Sassoon and Buxey. Sport is dead honesty has decayed, and nearly all the tru "sports" have either shelved themselves or sought a haven of rest in summer climes. race lotteries, no two to one, bar one. totalisator, no public interested, the feebless opposition in the big races -- all indicate that the Hongkong Race Meeting of 1892 looks very much like proving a comparative fiasco.

WITH reference to the Reuter's telegram 'inanother part of this issue re Russia and Cores. a correspondent who thoroughly understands the situation, writes as follows :-- "It is reasonable to aver that Neutrality is the antidote for Corea's ills, I submit it merely, and it is open to criticism, that were China and the other interested Powers to take steps for the establishment and maintenance of strict neutrality in this peninsula, peace and prosperity would soon prevail over the chaos and corruption now reigning in the capital. It may be that strict neutrality does not, in the opinion of Chinese statesmen, dovetail with the exigencies of the hour; and I trust that none of them will take serious exception to the expression of my opinions -opinions not glesned by a cursory glance at the situation, but evolved from six years study of the Far Eastern Question, while resident in Corea, together with four years previous personal observations while in other parts of the Orient. The policy followed in Switzerland may, and probably would, suffice for Corea-a country in many ways similarly situated. ' It is 'not leaning upon any one State that Switzerland ment, and as an infringement on the liberty of is . Switzerland .to-day. Yet Switzerland flourishes, peace prevails there, and she highly respected by all her great and wealthy neighbours."

THE OLD YEAR.

"Fading, as the leaflets fade-"Dying as the daylight dies."

The "improved maxims" of the United States contain a proverb that runs-always get quit of the old crowd before you catch on to the new. This applies with equal fitness to years, girls, and other things. And in putting away anything (years, girls, or other things) it is always essential to make sure that they are all right, no kicking himself for his ridiculous attempt trouble lying dormant, no joy missed, nothing overlooked. So let us take Old Ninety-One and examine him carefully on this, the last occabig surplus the Colonial Treasurer and his sion he will give us to see him face to face. Let obsequious followers so confidently predicted, us make a thorough study of him, all his features, will result in a very heavy loss to Hongkong, good and bad, all his superficialities as well as his deeper character; and then let us put him out the best of reasons for believing it, Mr. Mitchell- of his miscry, drown him in the flowing bowl; and christen the infant Ninety-Two.

The Colony as a whole has had a busy. I managed to embitter himself lamentably with places where he should doted be, so we will I com't allow from pay more.

the Council and the people, and brought the Heave him there and get an with the cast at general feeling in regard to legislation to a very proced on the programmes. Parenthe fieldly let but by nature—oh, never mind. Peace on fact i for as they used to say in our young days earth, goodwill to all men. Next, as to the Colony's She's jam, real jam—there's no salt on Sarah's. relations outside. The whole of China was tail." Mary Ann, on the contrary, (although thrown into a tremendous flutter by disturbances in appearance quite up to market price) hardly smoke is disappearing now. Nothing else very a veteran in the art of manipulating ladies—abem great has happened; the moral of this trouble is —for he not only manages Sarah Janes trains mercial matters, the year has been great myteries of feminire attire of which we are in calamitous. Russell & Co., Adamson, Bell & Co., blissful ignorance. Mary Anna should learn to let us look only at their tombstones, and pass handicap to carry in these fast running days, on. Commerce and Calamity have been too Mem.;—S. J. and M. A. contribute the major closely connected. Pleasanter it is to dwell portion of the fun of the piece spontaneously. The on the brighter memories of the year. The words they have to speak are the vapour ings of Hongkong Jubilee, the visit of the Carewitch in emasculated nonentities and the songs the y sing May, the troops of amusement that have come are ittile better, the only exception being Sarak and gone, Miln, Lincoln, Willard, Brown Potter, Fanc's "Coming thro' the Dye", which a he can libel actions, Friedenthal, finishing with the improve upon.

ob. what a gay and festive place is our old around the stage in various disguises as We have been sobered by disaster, steadled and other land, there was one soul present who cautioned for future work, taught by some of wept sait tears for the figure he cut, and the bitterest lessons of life-bitterest in Hong- whose head is still stained with the ashes of kong's own life, bitterest in the life of each, woe There are people who maintain that the rugged veteran and each tender girl among us Kookooburra's note is music, and from the -we are wiser, and by suffering we have learnt; some bases of contention there are doubtless But the dying year has not been sitogether people who would say that this gentleman can barsh. Some of its moments bave been act-but undoubtedly they are few. His concepsweet beyond poor words, some of its memories; tion of the character is faulty, and what makes are joyous and bright and happy, well fitted this all the more patent is, that he is painfully for the night of Hogmanay, "May"we all have little need for further trials; may we, stage, excepting when he has a chance to sing. after passing through the goldsmith's fire, remain, which unfortunately is but seldom, for his voice for the rest of our lives pure and strong ; and is not a bad one. That he will improve is certain may we often see again those little glimpses of and what we now bewail is that, our last dollar heaven that have come to us in 1891.

THE CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

BRAUTY AND THE BEAST-12-0-12-(By an Outsider.)

The mist rolls from the mountain The junks drift dead a-lee, The rickshas round the Fountain Bring "fares" athirst to see The present pantomime !

Every face is wreathed in smiles, Pleasure thrills them all : None are troubled with the wiles-That cynics' minds enthral To damn the pantomime !

is with infinite regret that we cannot say more | drilling." for them than that they were little better than policemen Not that the "Peelers" aren't "sand" of those uneven elements which constitute the and "grit" and all that's good, but the cloth brings up recollections of a dead past that we fain would forget. One soldier was called "Jack" and the other "Jim", and the terms of I tions must necessarily be allied, and equal to her endearment which they exchanged (to say nothing | talents was the chief incentive which decided of a big-bellied bottle) would have made a our recklessness in parting with our last friendcockatoo's crest stand on end, but there was the Mexican above mentioned. Disappointment? such a heartiness about their mode of expression | Sorry a bit i-out only regret is that we can that it disarmed and discounted the ordinary never more ease our weary optics by gazing on

conventialities of life. We take it for granted that last night's . Miss Lummert, we judge, is by nature artistic, audience can be voted a representative one as and having had the advantages of a thorough regards numbers, but oh I ye gods, can it be the | musical education there is little to be wondered same, so far as that quality which is known as at that she made such a universally admitted mental calibrals concerned? We hope not. Yet | success of the part of Beauty. Her acting is there were many interesting specimens of the hatural and graceful, and like her singing is genus komo in evidence that would have delights estentially artistic, albeit sha is only a novice. ed our dear dead Darwin. How he would have | Did the stump of our pencil admit of further revelled in the mine, the riches of which was shapsodies it would be devoted to the Rossbud openly displayed to the meanest observer, and of Mrs. Hagen, which was a graceful and finished gloried in the truths and proofs of his great performance. Nor should be forgotten those

two full shekels of silver were advanced sin and sorrow had bleached our then raven. you to-day. Six slips duly committed to the locks we thymed on-fairles and their doings. W. P. B. Ed. | The orchestra had evidently but never until last night were the expectations been specially engaged by the local deslers in of our juvenile dreams so fully realized. Verb. ivory, for as surely as the sun now shines, many; sap. a highly prized molar was wrested from its spag . The end draws near, [The only good thing bed and quietly passed to the pocket of its you have said so far.—Ed.] The courtiers aft er unfortunate owner to be eventually set up before wasting tons of paint, powder and stuffing succeeding generations as a warning against looked really pretty, (from a distance) and did pantonimic music-when bedly played. The their business with great precision and occarsion. leader was all there, and tindoubtedly below; ally with a trace of grace. Some were a triffe him sat some individual accomplished musicians | leggy, others high in their action; but (in the but taken as a whole- [phrase climinated. Ed.] whole they were as good-a- lot as could have The curtain, upon being electrified, ran up and been selected. exposed a pandemonium, at least so it was Of the dancing, dressing and general scenic

called; but to our well seasoned eyes after having effects nothing but; unqualified praise can be lived on "The Land we Live In" rum for a month, recorded .- Columbins -- ab, well 1 it's a good it seemed but the kaleidoscopia manonyres of job we have passed the meridian of life ora crowd of butterflies. One child who was being [Can do I-Rd.] My soldiers conversing made no nursed just in front of us gave a faint squeak, | scruples about saying that "this aint nothin! but whether of contempt or pleasure we did not! to last year's "-but if this be true all we stop to inquire, so intense was our admiration | can a say in is that it last years upantomime of the generosity of " Jack " who at that moment | must have been an Eastern reflection of passed the b- slong. The Bogie Man next Drury Lane. And, by the by, to finish attracted, but not for long. The dress (an abortion | with my chums of lest night let me chronicle of that generally worn by Mephistopheles at | an observation that was dropped. One asked "penny-gall shows" at home) was pretty and the other who it was that "bossed " the show litted the lithe form of the wearer as if it had behind. Wy, don't yer know ?-Clayton and grown on him. But as for Mr. Hazeland him- Tennant of course." Soft and low came the self, the best praise that can be awarded him is response MAnd two dead fellows too !! time. Politically—the Governor, Bir W. des that he tried hard; and if he falled to get there [The Editor is sorry that he cannot publish the every time, let lick of boldness rather than remainder of this lunatic's screed on account of

highly strained, nervous pitch. His auccessor, as observe that Small Page and Mary Saw. Major General Digby Barker, conducted the the we first characterista be dealt with are thosa; affairs of the colony with a simple ability with whom we are intimutely accominted for co and energy, that did incalculable good, though | tell the truth during our stay at the above samed again conflicts were frequent. In December: hostelry were brought into daily inter-Sir William Robinson arrived, and although | course with many mem bees of the sisterhood, of course he has as yet done nothing, the and apart from that fact; during our walks general opinion is strongly in his favour. abroad we's have met many more of So much for Governors. The leading feature of them, conversed with, and have even been permanent interest in the Legislature has been the regally entertained in those chateaux where development of an honest, fearless, and indefatig- the warts mand . the wirthes are alone disable champion of the people, albeit slightly cussed. Consequently we are in a position to deficient in that gloss of delicate tact that so criticise the performances of Messra J. D. conceals the Modern Man-we refer to Mr. T. H. Lapraik (bless his good-humoured mug) and-Whitehead. Of the rest of the lay figures which: R. B. Allen with more penetration and "rule" the land, little need be said. The Un acumen than the casual observer. That officials cannot do much, and the Officials have | Sarah Yane, on points, and not on form this years been as usual-" Acting " by name, i alone, bears away the palm is an indisputable of revolutionary, religious, and anti-foreign, gets the amount of fun out of the piece that the appearance, resulting in several outrages in privilege she is now invested with would entitle August and September; butthofire is out, and the her to claim; Mr. Lapraik would seem to be quite. only the old tale, so often told of China, In com- with consummateurt, but also disclays those other Woodin, Pliman, and dozens of lesser lights do the same-modesty is far too heavy a

Pantomime, which sees the New Year in A gentleman named Mr. A. R. Rolle capered Londbards Streets, and although he may be an And now in six hours 1802, will be with us. forphan, without kith or kindred in this, or any conscious of the fact the whole time he is on the having gone, we will never again have the

chance of seeing him. Montmorency found a spring-heel-lack sont of an exponent in the person of Mr. G. Caldwell, and he didn't find a bad one either ; bar a few inexcusable and ultra-vulgar blemishes. We have seen much of this business in our time, and can assure this youthful Thespian that comic contortions do not necessarily mean 'valgar, and we were almost going to say indecent postures. However, all round, his performance was not a bad one.

And now for the donkeys, for we'll take 'em all in turn. The Maxwelton of Mr. J. Wright and the Skeepskead of Mr. C. Guinness were interpretations of excellent merit and it is but just to say that they afforded nearly the whole of the fun of the fair. Both these gentlemen are artistes when rigged with the necessary appendages and acted last night as if to the manner

King Courage found a well-meaning and fairly Thoughts somewhat aking in nature to the the capable "double" in Mr. G. P. Lammert, who above (which is copy-right) passed through our | although it appeared to us, cannot act enough to mental machine while meandering on our lonely | rouse a fly, can sing correctly and knew his: way to that haven of rest that has been our sonvs and dialogue thoroughly. We, being only refuge for the past ten days, the verandah cost adrift and never hoping for the priof-(but dare we give it away-would not vilege of sitting on a decent chair again, the remorseless "Bobby" pour upongus! in envied Mr. Lammert the easy grace with the stilly hours of this same night the rays of which he ensconced himself within the arms of his searching light and claim us for his own ? for ' the Imperial Throne just as though he had sub rosa we are but a vagrant) - But to continue, been born in the purple and that it was the Watching that crowd last night stirred those hundredth that he had ascended. Mr. F. feelings within that not even the basest savage | Lammert (a brother of the former gentleman, the is devoid of-the reluctance to admit that one is | soldier told; us) played the repulsive and; really alone in this world of teeming millions : uncongenial part of The Beast, and shaped so turning over our sole remaining Mexican | fairly well. Mr. L. K. Davis was a Chamberin one hand and scratching our head with lais of finer presence and sweeter voice the other, we, like "Hamlet," meditated as than any that ever the flery. Csar of All to the to-be-ness or not-to-be-ness of the action. the Russias could ever have dreamt of The firsh was strong as we thought of the He looked well and knowing his business, morrow, but the spirit, soaring above such went about it, with the grip that men common things as hash-houses, gained the day, in similar positions generally adopt. Dayle and to the pantomime we went. A seat was was distinctly good. Of the remaining active shown us—far back in the dim light of that offor | male characters we have only a word to say : abode-which luckily enabled us, being a stranger, They are Masters Moore, Hayward and Lamto take stock of our surroundings without let or | mert, ast the Admiral, Colonel and Postman, hindrance. Soldiers sat on either side of us, respectively. Each in his post and part was and although they were july sociable fellows, it | good, and evinced thorough coaching and patient

And now for the fairer, and more artistic side local pantomime of or.

That the character of Beauty would be filled by a young lady whose personal charms and attracthose scenes again.

fair young maids who not only represented the Say, this isn't the promised criticism Fatry Flowers, but also the embodiment of all the Beast! upon which earthly loveliness. In the long, long ago, before,

CHA TATE FORCEST LAACES. Il special eq. of that korns alien deliction bas Section of the eding the quality of the last of leety inhereton his stepped from Shanglant Robelsky, Dat a specing

the point, and although his min the land the is not legic, his views are worthy reproduction He says :-

The subscription griffins were landed on Sunday, October the 4th, and in the first Issue of the Echo, after that date, in the Sporting Notes,: I find it btated that the ponics had been timed to do the Maidens' distance in 1.35 to 1.38. "Up to the time of writing" said the "Man in Boots," "so many of the ponics are being well taken care of, and well fed up, that when their trainers commence riding, lameness and the slows will be the inevitable result." The "Man in Boots" was quite right in his conclusions. I am not s professional trainer, but I must say, from my observations and experience, it is the greatest ristake to feed up China ponies before they have carned it by hard work. Keep them low, and let the work be slow at the beginning of training for they will assuredly go wrong. As their systems become accustomed to regular and hard work let the feeding be gradually increased, but don't begin at the wrong end, and stuff a poorly fed animal from its foaling, until he is in a good healthy, state for work. He will eat all you give him fast enough, just as an unhealthy man will eat a great deal more than corresponding results, a heavy eye, a distended frame, and withal a disinclination to work .. But I am not lecturing on training ; the purpose I have in hand is to endeavour to show in this particular case that our subscription griffing might have given more general satisfaction had the circumstances of their training been different. That it was not successful is amply proved by the number of break downs and the running of those started for the race; Reindeer always excepted, whose jeckey came in hands down, looking behind him with the certainty that he had the race in hand, and who might have made far better time had the field challenged him. The circumstances I allude to, over and above the feeding-up already made mention of, were, first, the over haste displayed at the beginning to get the animals into galloping order, which in my opinion was an error in judgment considering there were two months to train in second, the hard state of the course. As regards this second cause, of misadventure, remedies were applied, but they were applied too late, and in the meantime a great deal of galloping had been done with most disastrous results. It was after all this galloping namely on the 28th November, that "Ridee Boy" declared in the Sporting Notes that the griffins were a groggy lot when shipped from Shangbak I do not hold with "Ridee Boy." I thought them a good sound lot when they were annied here, and, with one exception, none of them betrayed signs of weakness for a long time lafter. Ponies required legs of iron to-be-galloped on a course as hard as ours was on many of the mornings in November; no wonder so many gave way under it. And, thirdly, it seemed to me that some of the ponies might have run better had they had more galloping in the training, but I have nothing to say to this beyond stating that in my opinion it was so, for the owners may have preferred to run the racket of sending their popules to the post short-trained rather than endanger their soundness by galloping them on such a hard course, and who can blame them? Ord the other hand, however, they may have considered their animals fit when they were really not sol... One way and another, in my view, the griffins of this year did not have a fair chance of coming out as they might have done. The disadwantages of their training were had a very different race for the Malden Stakes, of Europe, looks to be in a fair way to dissolutions for 1,020 miles along the Adriatic, and and very different time made. Passing to tion; at the same time France seems to be eager is rough, cut up, and so beset with islands, the, old ponies and the late importations to sgain meet her old enemy, Germany. It is, rocks and shoals as to make havigation extremely of those that had run in Shanghai, what perhaps, well to review the present war status of hazardous. Trieste, the great maritime city of capital sport they showed us. The meeting these foreign nations as regards the protection the Empire, is insufficiently fortified against a of such ponies as White Heather, Autocrat, Black Leaf, Respier, Sandown, Yarana, Ku- coast defense will play a most if not the most advantageous disposition of works. But Pola. Hang, Woodman and Yama, they happened to meet in the different events, was a treat, without speaking of that fine old racer Wild Wood and the plucky Titmouse. The times of the Hungkong Curp and Foochow Stakes were

SUPERSTITION OF THE FOOCHOV BOAIT PEOPLE.

excellent. My alliotted space will not allow of

my writing more can this object at present.

A stranger to Folochow would be astonished to see group after group of people going round to all the houses beginning on Chinese New Year's days. Instead of quietly asking for some charitable donation at the door-way as do other beggars, they sing some songs (of course unintelligible to a stranger's ears) like bundreds. of birds chirping ifn the groves at the sign of the coming dawn. Hie would be still more puzzled to see that these pleople are clean in appearance and the clothes timey wear are quite different from the ragged igarments generally worn by ordinary beggars. These are the boat people going through the jexercise of making themselves bogus beggars under the belief that by so doing it will free them from any sickness and misfortune that would otherwise befall them during the year.

This superstition originated some time before material." the 12th century? It is said that when the Emperor Chao Tein Wang, of the Sung dynasty | yide adequate means for securing the purposes | ties of the defences of these impregnable places was dethroned, hie fled from his palace; but his above mentioned, and in the establishment of may be mentioned a system of revolving turrets enemies being thirsty for his Majesty's blood, as land fortresses and building of large navies have made of steel armor of twenty inches thickness well as for the strate scal, pursued him. When he certainly accomplished something in the desired and mounting Krupp fourteen and fifteen-inch came to the barnk of the Min River, being very direction. closely pursue/fl. he asked the boat people to take | It has been France's ambition to hold her own | Germany's coast-defense scheme is to render him over to the other side. That the against the Triple Alliance; Italy and Austria her frontier impossible of access to France or not so creditions as they are now-a-days, it the North Sea shore is hold inviolate against perfectly comprehends her situation and how may be safely youched as true, because when Germany; or else Germany must be defeated to better it; accordingly the navy, to a greater they saw no money forth-coming from the while Austria and Italy are kept at a safe dis- extent than in any other country, is subordinated Emperor's putrie, (it is but fair to state here that tance. France's Mediterranean shore is 400 to the defense of the coast. Her armorciads are they did not know he was the Emperor) they miles long. On it are Toulon, the great ship, of smaller tonnage per vessel than those of other refused to give him the necessary trip and building station of the Government, a fortress of navies, but of increasing numbers; thus her list answered him simply with the well-known the first class, as impregnable as man can make of battle ships comprises only six, with bolts to "nothing for nothing." Thereupon he implored it, and Marsellies, the first commercial city inches to 17 inches thick, carrying casemates them to have plty on him; but when he found of the republic, a second-class fortress. At and barbettes, but there are ten const-defense all his entratiles could not move them he lost his other points along the shore are twenty-two vessels mounting nine-inch guns in barbettes. temper, and in his rage, pronounced a few fortified forts of moderate strength and impor- 3 inches thick, in hulls protected by armor of fatal words which sealed the doom of the boat stance. On the Atlantic scabourd there are the same thickness; and there are also thirteen people up to the present day-what he said was 600 miles, on which are situated Rochefort, armored gunboats mounting twelve-inch guns that every lone of these people must become a L'Orient, Brest; naval stations, so protected in eight-inch barbettes, and the water line of beggar, no matter how wealthy he or she might as to come under the category of first-class these harbor defenders is protected by eight-

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LOOKING FORWARD:

Time-1040-Union Hail.

Chairman of Employers' Committee (to chairman of Union Committee, with great meekness): We have come, gentlemen, to ask the privilege of putting more capital in our business." Union chairman (gruffly): "You have deceived

us, then. We supposed you had already put all your capital into your business." Employers' chairman : "We kept a little back for an emergency."

Union chairman (haughtily) : "Bring the money here. We will invest it for you." Employers' chairman : "We haven't received. from our employees the percentage coming to us for last year's buriness."

Union chairman : "That will be attended to in due time. . We had more than the usual number of union balls and union picnics last year, and according to the rules of the union the expense must be born by employers. Have you a healthy one, but you will see in the pony been informed of the new holiday the union has created F

Employers' chairman (aghast) : " "A new holiday !. Why, the working men have three holidays every week already, without counting Sunday and the Saturday three-quarter holiday." Union chairman (sternly): "It makes no difference. The working man owns the earth now, and he can make every day in the week a

holiday if he chooses." Employers' chairman : "Isn't it a little hard to make us pay our men double wages on a holiday P"

Union chairmant- "I don't think it is. You see the working man's expenses go on just the same on a holiday as on any other day, and he wants as much more to spend." Employers' chairman :- But let us have a

dollar or two, please. Union chairman: "You don't need any. It would only be a temptation to spend money that belongs by right to the labouring man. Any other complaints to make? "

.. Employers' chairman: "Your new rule, requiring us to act as nurses for our employees when they are ill, furnishing medicine at our own expense, is oppressive. I haven't had a good night's rest since the rule went into refect.' Union chairman : "Can't help it. It is the duty of an employer to look after the health of his men. Anything more? Be quick about (looking at his watch); our committee is engaged to dine together at Delmonico's at 6, and we have a theatre party arranged for the evening; a compliment from the Sceneshifters! Union, who are running all the theatres in New York now." Employers' chairman (hesitatingly): wanted to asked the union if-if I might be allowed to retire from business at the end of the

Union chairman: "Retire from business Not We don't allow any man to retire from business while he has breath or a cent. What d'ye suppose the union is for? Now git !"-Texas Sistings.

COAST DEFENCE ABROAD. HOW THE GREAT POWERS OF THE WORLD GUARD THEIR SHORES.

The Triple Alliance, which for the past fifteen or eighteen years has to a great extent governed | seaward, comes Austria, the second member the size and strength of the armaments and firets of the triple alliance. Austria's sengirt line of their sea frontiers, for in any future struggle | sea attack, the lay of the land not permitting an important part. The coast defence of other the military and naval port and depot of the nations should also be interesting to us of the country, and the strategic base of operations United States.

coast defence is Major Clark of the English of the coast has only six third-order fortresses.

capable of performing are of three kinds : I, to Danube, where she has numerous works suppleprevent the use of a harbor by an enemy for the mented by a fleet of river monitors. Engineers, writes to the following effect: same thicknesses of metal.

fortresses; at other parts of the coast there are inch belts.

Intimations.

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Hongkong, 29th December, 1891.

Besides these there are about twenty two battle ships, some of which mount thirteen 5-inch guns, protected by 197 inches of metal.

As a neighbor to France in the Mediterranean lies Italy, with a main sea frontier 2,200 miles long, and adding the coast lines of the islands of Sardinia, Sicily, Elba, and some others, a grand Italian littoral of 4, too miles is the result. The natural defenses of the mainland rlong the water front are not good, the land being for the most part low, sandy, and cut into by numerous bogs, but the islands are generally high and rocky. Along the western shores of the peninsula Italy has ten strongly fortified ports, the principal of which are Genoa, the key to the command of the Ligurian Sea, and Spezzia, the seat of the national shipbuilding yards and arsenals; in some of the works thereabouts there are mounted several roo-ton guns and two reo-ton Krupps, the largest cannon in the world. To the southward the shores along the straits of Messina, both in Italy and Sicily, are thoroughly well guarded, and the eastern coast line is defended by six moderately powerful fortresses. The whole coast line of the mainland is kept in communication with sea and shore by a complete system of signal and semaphore stations, and the

Italy's objective is not conquest, but the sure prevention of it. France must feel that Italy can and will dispute with her the supremacy of the Mediterranean.

scheme of defense is rounded off by twenty-nine

torpedo depots established in the principal

The fleet of Italy merits more of a description than can be given to it here, for the Government thoroughly realizes that absolute safety can only be secured by a large and powerful floating auxiliary. There are nine immense battle-ships mounting seventeen-inch guns in turrets or barbettes of from 17 to 21 inches thick; these vessels carry a protection to their sides, especially in wake of their vitals, of from 17 inches to 23 inches. This practically constitutes her armored fleet capable of assisting successfully in coast

As neighbor to Italy, both landward and from scaward, is elaborately defended by im-The most recent authority on the subject of proved works of a high order. The remainder Engineers, who, in his book on fortification The policy of Austria is merely the protection of Pols, and to a less extent that of Trieste. Her The functions which coast defences are great strength is on the land waterways like the

purpose either of shelter or of landing troops. 2, As naval assistants to sea defenses Austria to bar a harbor or channel of approach and possesses six battle ships with armor belts exclude an enemy from the inner waters; 3, to varying from 8 inches to 15 inches in thickness. prevent the bombardment of a dockyard town or | The casemates and turrets, in which are guns arsenal." And Colonel Abbott, United States from 8 inches to 12 inches, are protected by the

Fortifications must close all important harbors To the north is the wonderful German empire. against an enemy and secure them to our own the third party to the alliance and the instigator marine : must deprive an enemy of all strong of this powerful combination for insuring the positions, where, protected by navel superiority, balance of power and preserving the autonomy he might fix permanent quarters and maintain of the States of Europe. Germany has a littoral himself and keep the frontier in perpetual slarm | of 900 miles, 300 on the North Sea and 600 on cover the great cities from attack; prevent the Baltic, so low and swampy, so guarded by Interior: waterways being blockeded at their islands, and strong and variable currents that entrances to the sea; cover the coastwise and navigation is uncertain and dangerous; yet of interior navigation by closing the harbors and all the world no power has a sea frontier so inlets from the sea which intersect the lines of perfectly defended. There is a line of thirteen communication, and thereby aid the navy in coast fortresses connected by a strategic railway protecting the commerce of the country; and having two great military centres or ports of war finally, protect arsenals, navy yards, and all war as perfectly defended as modern science can suggest; they are Kiel on the Baltic and All foreign nations have endeavored to pro- Wilhelmshaven on the North Sea. As peculiari-

breech-loading guns. peoples. at that time, perhaps, were must be overmatched in the Mediterranean while Russia, or both combined. No nation more

An Emperor is supposed to be blest with a three second-class fortresses, two third-class and The next country to be considered is Russia. "golden mouth" and any word that is uttered seventeen fourth-class. Finally, France has with the largest coast line in the world, 20,000 from this "golden mouth " will bring realization | 575 miles of sea boundary no the English Chan- miles. The object sought in fortifying it is the to the wishes of the utterer. Now this Emperor nel and North Sea. Cherbourg, a naval yard resistance to Germany and England in the Baldesired them to be beggers as a nunishment for | and argenal, lies there, with England only sixty | tic; the intimidation of Austria and the oppositheir unfeeling conduct and beggas they even- miles across; It is the only first-class fortress on tion to England in the east in the Black Sea, tually became. At first they paid no attention this stretch, however. At St. Malo and Havre and, to a less extent, the overawing of Turkey to what was said; but after a short there are second-class fortresses, and at remein- in the Black and Caspian Seas. On the Baltic time, there came an epidemic of sickness ing points there are sixteen third and fourth coast Russia has formidable works at twelve amongst them and the death-rate went up to order strongholds.

Such all slarming degree that they became To assist these long lines of land works France commerce with Cronstadt, the greatest port in convinced that the fate awaiting them could not has a navy consisting or eleven Gardes-Cotes all the empire-lying-on-one-of-its tributaries. be abaken off. Accordingly some of them, who mounting gans of from 7 to 12 inches placed in In defending this vital point nature has much were more credulous of the supposed power of a turrets or harbettes made of metal from 5 to 178 assisted, the sea and gulf being hard to golden mouth," went to try the virtue of inches thick, in ships protected by belts of navigate by reason of low and irregular those fatal words, perhaps, rather unwillingly, armor varying from 6 inches thickness in some shores, strong and procertain currents, and and it is strange to say that, at the first to 178 inches in others. Of gunboats armored ice. Besides, there is a line nearly twenty-house they asked for alms they felt the with belts of metal \$ hours thick, intended solely five miles long of fortifications surrounding sickness, had suddenly deserted them. Soon for harber desence, there are nights carrying 7 or the approaches to the city and defending the biter all the others followed suit and it is needless to inches the light inches thick, yast water front there are ever thirty indev

pendent forts, fifteen of which are armored and of most modern construction. On the Black Sea strong fortresses of the second order are situated at Nikolaiff and Odessa, where the paval vards are. and Sebastopol stands frowning down, as in the days of the Crimes, ready to be armed when needful; On the Pacific Ocean Russia's line is 53,000 miles long, which has only three fourthorder fortresses ; that at Vladivostock is the most

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Russia possesses a good fleet in her European waters, there being no less than seventeen coast-defenders, with protective belts varying from four and one-ball inches in some to sixteen inches in others, carrying turrets four and one-half inches to fourteen inches in thickness. mounting eight and twelve inch guns.

There remains of the principal powers of Europe, whose coast-defense schemes have been glanced at, Great Britain. Its land defenses are notoriously inferior. There are eight first-order forts, but in the minds of many these are inefficient, and England relies on her navy rather than on her fortresses, her policy being to have a ficet so powerful as to keep the enemy blockaded in his ports and prevent him from leaving his own shore. Her fleet is enormous It is easy to count forty effective ironclads, battle ships, and coast-defense wasels, carrying armor from six to twenty-four inches, with a like thickness on barbettes and turrets, in which are mounted guns of from nine to sixteen and onequarter inches calibre.

We of the 'United States are beginning to consider the protection of our coasts. We have 13,000 miles to defend and certain large cities that should be guarded by first-class fortresses. Boston, New York, the Delaware, the Chesapeake, Port Royal, Key West, New Orleans, San Francisco and Puget Sound should be made impregnable. No man objects to paying money to have his house insured against fire, though he never expects it to be burned, nor should he object to a slight tax necessary to insure his house, his business, his country against the transgressions or the possible trans-

gressions of an enemy. Cardinal Manning is quoted as saying; "There is no greater temptation to malefactors than an undefended people; a country with unprotected shores is an invitation to all the thieves and robbers of the world."-New York Times.

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CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

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#### Co-day's Advertisements.

THE "TELEGRAPH" LIBEL CASE.

THE friends of Mr FRASER-SMITH, and his supporters and sympathisers in connection with the recent Libel Case, are invited to meet on the

PUBLIC RECREATION GROUND, better known as the Cricket Ground, ON THE AFTERNOON OF

SUNDAY, the 3rd January, 1892, at 3 30 p.m., When certain resolutions affecting public. interests will be submitted.

THE HON, PHINEAS RYRIE has kindly consented to preside, and a leading Chinese Resident will officiate as Vice-Chairman All Residents of whatever nationality, who are interested in this important case, are earnestly invited to be present.

CHESNEY DUNCAN, Hon, Secretary. Hongkong, 31s December, 1801.

THE LABUK PLANTING COMPANY,

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

N EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Hongkong Hotel, on SATURDAY, the 16th January, 1802, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of considering the financial position of the Com-

Shareholders are particularly requested to attend or to send proxies. TURNER & Co... General Managers.

The Labuk Planting Co., Ld. Hongkong, 31st December, 1801. DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY,

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THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY.

ADIES who have arrived in the colony during the current year, and those who have changed their residences since last publication, will oblige by forwarding THEIR ADDRESSES for

TORY for 1892, not later than SATUR-DAY next, the 2nd January.

insertion in THE LADIES' DIREC-

ADVERTISEMENTS for the HONGKONG DIRECTORY will be received up to WEDNESDAY, the 6th January.

"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH "Office Pedder's Hill.

Hougkong, 30th December, 1801.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" will be on sale at the Hongkong and Victoria Hotels, opposite the Hongkong Club, and at Pedder's Wharf, EVERY EVENING from 5.30 to 7.30 o'clock.

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Advertisers are reminded that the Hongkong Telegraph has by far the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East. THIS IS GUARANTEED, Terms on application. Hongkong, 14th October, 1891.

Notices of Firms.

NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED

DY Order of the Court of Directors, I have D taken over the CHIEF MANAGEMENT of the Bank, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager.

NOTICE.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1891.

THE Undersigned has This Day established I himself as AUCTIONEER and GOODS BROKER. GEO. P. LAMMERT.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1801.

NOTICE.

MY Son, HENRY HUMPHREYS, was the 1st day of July last. INO. D. HUMPHREYS. Hongkong, 12th December, 1891.

HE Business heretofore carried on under the name of INO. D. HUMPHREYS will henceforth be conducted under the name of John D. Humphreys & Son.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON. Hougkong, 12th Decembe, 1891.

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THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the ist and 2nd January, 1893

For the CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA, E. L. HUNTER. Manager, Hongkong.

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA. T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong.

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Chief Manager. For the New ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION

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DE WESTLEY LAYTON Secretary. For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA

LIMTIED. A B. MCKEAN, Acting Chief Manager. Hongkong, 23rd December, 1891.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

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Hongkong, sath June, 1851. NOTICE.

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# Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

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The National Bank of China, Ld.-on £2.10 paid up,-80 per cent. dis., sellers, The National Bank of China, Ld.-Founders' shares, \$225 per share, sellers.

The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ld .-\$132 per share, sellers.

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premium, sellers. Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C-2 per cent premium, buyers.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E-14 per cent. premium. Union Insurance Society of Canton-\$90 per

share, buyers. China Traders' Insurance Company Sor per share, buyers. North China Insurance-Tis. 2571 per share,

sales and buyers. Canton Insurance Company, Limited-\$107 per share, buyers. Yangtere Insurance Association-\$102, buyers.

On Tai Insurance Company, Limited-Tis. 150 per share. Hongkong Fire: Insurance Company-\$3222 per share, sellers,

.China Fire Insurance Company-\$90 per share, sellers. Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co .-\$35 per share, buyers.

China and Manila Steam Ship Company-45 per share, sellers.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited -25 per cent, discount, sellers. Douglas Steamship Company-\$37 per share,

sales and buyers. The Steam Launch Co., Limited -nominal. Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company-\$86 per cent. premium, sales and buyers.

Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited-\$15 per share, sales and buyers. Hongkong Hotel Company-\$50 per share

Hongkoug Hotel Co.'s Six per-cent. Debentures

The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Company, Limited-28 per share, sales and buyers. The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limitednóminal.

The Shameen Hotel Co., Limited-\$10, sellers. Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co. -\$2 per share, buyers. The Raub Gold Mining Co., Limited-50 cents

per share, buyers. Imuris Mining Co., Limited-\$9 per share, The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited-\$1

per share, nominal. Tonquin Coal Mining Co. \$375 per share,

The Jelebu Mining and Trading Co., Limited-\$45 per share, buyers. The Sciama Tin Mining Co., Limited-40 cents per share, sellers.

London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ld.-Lzo, China Sugar Refining Company, Limited-\$177

per share, buyers. 1. S. Watson & Co., Limited-\$19 per share,

Cruickshank & Co., Limited-nominal. Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited-37 per

share, sales and sellers. The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited-

\$10 per share, buyers. The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited-\$72} per share, sales and sellers.

The West Point Buildings Co., Limited-\$23 per share, buyers. The Labuk Planting Co., Limited-nominal.

The China-Borneo Co., Limited-nominal. H. G. Brown & Co., Limited-\$40 per share,

Hongkong and Kowloon. Wharf and Godown Company-\$632 per share, buyers. Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company

Limited-\$114 per share, buyers. Hongkong Gas Company-\$120 per share, Hongkong Ice Company—\$80 per share, sellers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited -\$75 per share. The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited,

-\$10 per share, nominal, The Green Island Coment Co -314 per share, sellers.

The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited-\$45 per share, buyers, The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited-

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### MAILS EXPECTED

THE ENGLISH MAIL

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Malwa. with the outward English mail; left Singapore on the 29th instant at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on the 5th proximo.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer China, with mails, dic., from San Francisco to the 8th inst. wia Honolulu, left Yokohama on the 30th instant. and may be expected here on the 5th proximo,

THE INDIAN MAILS. The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s steamer, Wing. save, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the sand instant at 4 p.m., and is due here to morrow. The steamer Arratoon Apedr, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 30th instant, and is due

Mere on the 5th proximo. JEDG THE CANADIAN MAIL The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer Binbreis of China, with the next Canadian mail. left Vancouver on the 17th instant for Yokohaman and Shanghal.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL: The R. & A. S. S. Co.'s steamer Gularie, from Australia, left Port Darwin on the 22nd instant, and is expected here on the 31st.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The N. G. Italians, steamer Bormida left Sisgapore on the 20th instant; disabled at Salgon. The 'Shire' line steamer Cardiganskirs left Singapore on the 27th instant, and is due here

on the 3rd proximo. The Shire line steamer Torrington len Salgon on the 30th instant, and is due here on or about the 4th proximo. The 'Glen' line steamer Glenaven, from London, left Singapore on the 30th instant, and

is due here on the 5th preximo.

AJAX, British steamer, 1,450, E. S. Rawlings, 30th Dec.,—Shanghai 23rd Dec., General.
—Butterfield & Swire.

MOYUNE, British steamer, 1,787, C. Kemp, 31st Dec.,-Singapore, and Salgon 27th Dec., General,-Arnhold, Karberg & Co. TAILER, German steamer, 828, J. Calender, 31st

Dec.,-Singapore 22nd Dec., Timber.-Meyer & Co. CANTON, British steamer, 3,471, C. E. Baker, 31st Dec.,-London 7in Nov., and Sing pore 24th Dec., General .- P. & O. S. N. Co. NANSHAN, British steamer, 805, J. Blackburne, 31st Dec,-Singapore 22nd Dec., General.

-Hop Hing Hong. SYDNEY, French steamer, 2,133, Delacroix, 31st Dec. -- Marsellles 1st Nov., Singapore a4th Dec., and Salgon 28th, Mails and General. -Messageries Maritimes.

CLEARANCES AT THE MARBOUR OFFICE. Amoy, German steamer, for Shanghai. Activ, Danish steamer, for Halphong. Alwine, German steamer, for Holhow, &c. Benvenue, British steamer, for Kobe, &c. Moyune, British steamer, for Shanghal. Gaelic, British steamer, for Yokohama, &c. Hallan, British steamer, for Swatow, &c. Tetartos, German steamer, for Sourabaya. Ardgay, British steamer, for Singapore, &c. Taiwan, British steamer, for Amoy.

DEPARTURES. 5 December 30, Dona Bartola, American sch., for Soolog Island.

December 30, Dora Forster, British str., for Kutchinotzu. December 30, Namyong, British steamer, for December 31, Gaelle, British steamer, for Yoko-

December 31. Ardeay, British steamer, for Sin-December 31, Fooksang, British steamer, for

December 31, Lydia, German str., for Yokohams, &c. December 31, Holstein, German steamer, for

PASSENGERS-ARRIVED. Per Moyuns, str., from Singapore, &c .- 100

Per Ajax, str., from Shanghal.-Messrs. Spence, Drummond and servant, and 44 Per Tailes, str., from Singapore,-6 Chinese.

per share, sellers.

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Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$52 Mrs. Terrell, Dr. Gibson, Mr. Hawyes, and 221 Per Nanskan, str., from Singapore.-13

> Per Syndey, str., from Marsellles for Hongkong.-Messra. Collange, Streicher, Michel, and Chevaller Tries, and Mrs. Brunat and 3 sons. From Singapore.-Mesurs. Reith, Martil, L. Rousrend, G. Watt, Mr., and Mrs. Shapere From Saigon.-Prince H d'Orleans, Mr. and Mrs. Leclanger, Messrs. Robureau, Shrager, St Petersbourg, A. Boissy, Charretier, Ch. Touil lour, and ras Chinese. From Marseilles for Shanghal.—Messre, Martin, Terraud, and Gull lien. From Singapore.-Mrs. Mosims, Mrs. Makoyah, and Mr. Hondo Chima. From Salgon.-Mr. Le Lau. From Marseilles for Kobe -Mr. Charron. From Singapore.-Mr. Hader nasch. From Marseilles for Yokohama.—Mr. and Mrs. Paul, Mrs. Klobu Roush, Messrs. Nyenmura, Baguwaeg, Rispal, Fournier, and Gugon. From Aden.-Mr. Cacy. From Batavia.-Mr.

> mond and Matchuke. From Saigon.-Mr. Per Gaelle, str., for Yokohama.-Mr. A. L. Robinson, and a European. For San Francisco. -Mr. and Mrs. Lai Hong and Infant, Mrs. Chong Chow, Miss Rose Mitchell, and 4

Hoptede. From Singapore -- Messrs. Ham-

REPORTS. The British steamship Canton reports that she left London on the 7th ultimo, and Singapore on

the 24th instant. Had strong north-east mon-The British steamship Afax reports that she

left Shanghai on the 23rd instant. "Had fresh monsoon and calms with overcast dull weather from Amoy to port. The British steamship Wanshan reports that

she left Singapore on the 22nd instant. Had strong north-west gale up to Triton Island thence moderate monsoon and fine weather to

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A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Singapore and London Per Afan temorrow, the 1st January, at 9.00 A.M. For Swatow and Shanghal.—Per Kaijong tomorrow, the 1st January, at 9.00 A.M. For Amoy and Manlia .- Per Diamante on Saturday, the and Tanuary, at 9,00 A.M. For Shanghai. Per Amoy on Saturday, the

and January, at 9.00 A.M. For Swatow and Shanghal .- Per Canton on Saturday, the and January, at 9,00 A.M. For Systom and Bangkok Per Chowle on Tuesday, the 5th January, at 8,30 A.M. For Shanghai, Kobo, Yokohama, Victoria,

and Vancouver, B.C.-Per Empress of Japan on Tuesday, the 5th January, at 11.30 A.M. For Singapore -- Per Kriemkild on Wednesday, the 6th January, at 3,30 P.M. For Europe, &c., &c., India e/a Bombay. Per

Peninsular on Thursday, the 7th January, at For Nagasi ki, Kobe, and Yokohama Per Verona, on Friday, the 8th January, at 11.30

SHIPPING IN BONGKONG

ACTIV, Danish steamer, 355, H. Hygom, 29th Dec. Haiphong 25th Dec., Rice A. R.

Almanara, British steamer, 1,417, J. H. Hurst, 20th Dec. - Hatourn orth Dec. Kerojesi

MONGEONG-STRAMERS.

Continued. ALWINE, German steamer, 400; C. Petersen, 30th Dec .- Pakhol 27th Dec., and Holhow, 20th, General.-Wieler & Co. AMOY, German steamer, S14. Th. Lehmann, 30th

Dec.-Canton 30th December, General -Siemssen & Co. CHOWFA, British steamer, 1,057, F. W. Phillips 28th Dec.,—Bangkok 18th Dec., and Holhow 26th, Timber and Rice.-Yuen Fat

CHURAN, German steamer, 623, W. Wendt, 16th Dec.,—Holhow 15th Dec., Ballast.—C. M. S. N. Co.

CICERO, British steamer, 1,030, A. George, 23rd Dec., Sourabaya 15th Dec., Sugar, -Butterfield & Swire.

DECIMA, German steamer, 965, C. Christensen, 3rd Dec.,-Samarang 26th Nov., Sugar,-Geo. R. Stevens & Co. DIAMANTE, British steamer, 514. J. C. Gerard,

27th Dec.,-Manila 24th Dec., General,-Showan & Co. DONAR, German steamer, 1,048, B. Grundmann, 30th Dec.,-Sourabaya 18th Dec., Sugar,-

Wieler & Co. DORIS, German steamer, 771, T. Ruben, 22nd Dec. - Kobe 15th December, General .-Wieler & Co.

EDENDALE, British steamer, 1,567, R. Humphrey, 23rd Dec.,-Moji 17th Dec., Coals,-Dodwell, Carlill & Co. EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British steamer, 3,003, Geo-A. Lee, R.N.R., 10th Dec.,-Vancouver 19th Nov., Yokohama 3rd Dec., and Shanghai

8th, General.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co. FAME. British steamer, 117, Captain McIssacs, -Hengkong Government tender. MARTAM, British steamer, 1,183, S. Ashton, 30th.

Dec. - Foochow 26th Dec., Amoy 28th, and Swatow 29th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co. HAINAN, German steamer, 648, J. Samuelsen, 30th Dec., Haiphong 27th Dec., and Holhow 20th, General .- Melchers & Co. NANCHANG, British steamer, 1,052, R. Morgan,

20th Dec .- Canton 20th Dec., General-Butterfield & Swire. PREING, German steamer, 954, F. Schultz, 25rd Dec.,-Canton 23rd December, General.-Siemssen & Co.

PILOT FIRE, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani. Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. PRESTO, German steamer, 655. J. Jessen, 30th

Dec,-Haiphong 27th Dec., General.-Slemssen & Co. RIO, German steamer, 1,278, F. P. Ulderup, 20th Dec.,-Moji 25th December, Coals.-

Wieler & Co. SHERARD OSBORN, British steamer, 876, C. O. Madge, 16th Dec.,-China Sea-14th Dec., Submarine Cable.—E. E. A. and C. T. Co. TAI-CHEONG, German steamer, 828, P. Duhme, 23rd Dec., -- Singapore 15th Dec., Hardwood. -Meyer & Co.

TETARTOS, German steamer, 1,479, W. Breitung, 22nd Dec.,-Sourabaya 15th Dec., Sugar,-Siemssen & Co. TRIUMPH, German steamer, 674. J. Bruhn, 28th

Dec.,-Halphong 24th Dec., and Hollow 26th, General.—Ed. Schellhass & Co. VELOX, German steamer, 636, Johannsen, 11th Dec .- Canton 11th December, General .-Siemssen & Co.

7005UNG, British steamer, 1,127, Sawen, 25th Dec.,-Batoum 15th November, and Singapore 16th Dec., General .- Jardine, Matheson & Co.

WUOTAN, German steamer, 2,015, A. Ott, 27th Dec.,-Mauritius 29th Nov., and Singapore 17th Dec., General.—Wieler & Co.

### SAILING VESSELS.

ADAM W. SPIES, American bark, 1,171, Acting Captain, chief officer, sand Nov.,-New York 4th June, Oil,-Order. AROM, Norwegian bark, 634, A. Christensen,

22nd Nov.,-Singapore 16th Oct., Timber. F. B. & Co., Sole Agents. -Kwong Mow Tye. F. HUNT, American barque, 1,100, John Hanard, 24th Nov.,-New York 30th May,

Kerosene Oil.-Order. COMET, German ship, 1,083, Kuppner, 21st Nov., - Cardiff oth June, Coal. - Order.

REMORNIO, Chinese barr, 457, Examine Oplum tion hulk, Stonecutters Island. - Chinese Custome G. H. WAPPAUS, British bark, 533, Hansson, with Dec .- Whampes 19th Dec., General. -Chinese.

Gov. Robre, American ship, 1,627, A. Nichols, 30th Nov.,-New York 7th July, Kerosine Oil-Order. TENNY, American schooner, 74, O. Thomas, 16th

Dec. Pe'lew Island and Dec., General. Wieler & Co. MARTHA DAVIS: American bark, 832, Pendleton, 25th Dec. Honolulu 20th Nov., Oll .-

Shewan & Co. AN-SHUN-SHING, Chinese 3-m. schooner, 245, Loo Light Tong, 25th Sept, Touron 8th Sept., Wood,-Yong Kee.

R. THOMAS, American whip, 1.335, P. Nichols, 6th Dec .- New York 14th July, Kerosens Oll,-Jardine, Matheson & Co. Spinaway, British bark, 325, J. Garrick, 5th Dec,-King Georges Sound (W.A.) 3rd

Oct., Sapanwood.—Slemesen & Co. SOKOTO, British-ship, 2,193, Vaughan, 23rd Dec. -- Yokohama 8th Dec., Oil .-- Arnhold, Rarberg & Co.

VELOCIEY, British bark, 491, R. Martin, 19th Dec -- Honolulu gth November, Ballast ---Chinese.

### RIVER STEAMERS.

Fatshan, British steamer, 2,260, W. J. Risby.-Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat

Hankow, British steamer, 2,235, Lloyd. Butterfield & Swire. Henngshan, British steamer, 1,055, W. E. Clarke,-Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Sigsmboat Co.

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Klu-kiang, British steamer, 6174-Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steam-boat Co. Kinng-chow, British steamer, 288, T. A. Webster.--Honglong, Canton, & Macao Stee mboar Co. Klang-kwan, Chinese steamer, 1,020, Knights.

-C. M. S. N. Co.

Pasig, Chinese steamer, 284, J. W. Stavers .-Tok Kee. Pewan, British steamer, 1,590, S. W. Goggin, "Hongkong Canton & Macao Steamboat Co. Talen, British steamer, 728, Goldonicsi.

White Cloud, British steamer, \$27, A. Cruickshank.-- Hongkong, Canton, and Macso Steam best Co.

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